

Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

Short Circuit

April 2018

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April Program

Thursday, April 12 7:00 PM

Mike Hasenfratz, WA6FXT, our president will give a presentation on his Flex 6700 based station. Come hear the scoop on SDR, operating your home base station remote and much more.



Static & Sparks

Mike Hasenfratz - WA6FXT

Mike's Station

We're looking forward to hearing more about the Flex system.

Future Programs:

May 10 - Kevin from Bioenno will talk about LiFePO4 battery technology.

June 14 - Eric Oberg / ke6mlf

General Meeting Time: 7:00pm Location: Simi Valley Senior Center 3900 Avenida Simi Simi Valley, CA 93063 Dinner with the Speaker

Where? TGI Friday's When? 5:30 pm Join your club board members and Mike Hasenfratz for dinner before the club meeting.

Nets of Interest

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LSB Net	Condor	LSB Net	Channel	LSB Net	-	SSARC SSB
8pm 3.908 MHz	Connection	8pm 3.908 MHz	Islands chapter	8pm 3.908 MHz		HF Net
	7pm		10-10			8:30am
SSARC 2 Meter	(Plays	ACS Area 1	International			7.240 (+ or -
Net*	Newsline)	Simi Valley	28.34 MHz			QRM/N) 40
8:30 pm	Frazier	SMRA-ERN	at 10AM and			meter
SMRA-ERN	Mountain	7:05pm Repeater	6PM			
Repeater	224.720-1.6	146.805 -0.6MHz				CW-QRP
146.805 -	MHz PL156.7	PL100.0 or				9am 7.032 MHz
0.6MHz		445.580 -5.0MHz				
PL100.0 or		PL100.0				Quad Squad
445.580 -						net
5.0MHz		ATN-CA Net				1PM on 21.365
PL100.0		7:30pm				MHz's
		http://atn-				
Mesh Net		tv.org/netnight.htm				
8pm 2.4/5.8						
GHz Mesh						

Additional information on local nets can be found on the CVARC web site at: http://www.cvarc.org

ACS/ARES Corner

We are always looking for ACS members that would like to become Net Controllers.

You will receive hands on training at the Simi Valley PD (where we normally conduct the Weekly Net). It is both fun and at times challenging. You will gain valuable experience in running a controlled Net as well as becoming more than just familiar with the equipment in the Radio Room at the PD. If you would like to volunteer for this, let me know - ke6wez@gmail.com

If anyone is interested in how to setup your own packet station, RMS Winlink station, or a Mesh Node, let me know and we can get you started in the proper direction.

NOTE: Please be advised that we hold the Tue. countywide net at 19:30 (7:30PM) on the Sulphur Mountain WD6EBY repeater 145.200, minus 600 KHz offset, CTCSS of 127.3. Until further notice, this will be our standard frequency for countywide communications.

- Steve King KE6WEZ (ke6wez@gmail.com)

Upcoming ACS/ARES Events:

- 1. Saturday, 12 May: Simi Valley Expo. At SV Town Center. Need lots of help please-any hours will help.
 - a. Set up at about 0630 or so and tear down at about 1700 or so.
 - b. Need as many volunteers as we can get.
 - All day or part days
 - Contact me ASAP if you can help so I can get the Comm Plan made up.
- 2. Wednesday, 23 Mayl: Senior Citizens' Health Expo. Still need 2 Hand-held radio operators. From 7-11am. Contact Steve
- 3. Saturday, 21 April: Boy Scouts Camperie.
- 4. Sunday, 29 April: Aut2Run at CSUCI. Contact Wayne from Ojai.
- 5. Monday, 7 May: District Meeting at TBA
- 6. Saturday, 19 May: Red Cross Ride for Red. Contact Stuart KG6BOV
- 7. Sunday, 27 May: Mountain to Beach Marathon and Half. Still need volunteers. Contact Rob W6RH

Events

Thursday, April 5, 2018, 6:00pm SSARC Pizza Night

Round Table Pizza, 2345 Erringer Road, Ste. 100, Simi Valley

Thursday, April 12, 2018, 7:00pm SSARC General Meeting Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Thursday, April 26, 2018, 7:00pm SSARC Board Meeting Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063



Raffle Prize!

The grand prize for the raffle will be: DBPOWER 12V DC Portable Electric Auto Air Compressor Pump to 150 PSI, Tire Inflator with Gauge, 3 High-air Flow Nozzles & Adaptors for Cars, Bicycles and Basketballs (Black and Yellow)



Sunday Night Net Control Operators

Thanks to our fine Net Control Operators: Steve, KE6WEZ; Rick, W6DQE; Ray, KI6LKD; Jay, AG6JF and Dante, KK6JCQ.

Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club General Membership Meeting, March 8, 2018

Call to Order:

Vice President, Jim Veronica, WA6NXK, called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. Jim welcomed everyone to the meeting, held at the Simi Valley Senior Center. There was a recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance. 8 Officers and Board Members/Advisors were present. The total attendance was 28, with 4 visitors. Our guests were: Scott Howell, WB6QFR, Dan Moore, W6DPM, Dan Saltzman, WB6MVP, and Andy Jensen, KJ6CBP.

Introductions:

There was a round of introductions for members and guests.

Program:

Bill Woods, AB6BW, our Club Newsletter Editor, gave a presentation titled: "It's SAT Easy", on working the FM amateur radio satellites. He began with a slide show of Dan Moore, W6DPM's satellite operating station. Dan narrated this portion that featured Ham Radio Deluxe being used to monitor the signals. Bill told how he got involved in satellite operating through his participation in Rocket Day. He developed his portable setup monitoring with the amateur satellite tracking app called: "GoSatWatch". (There is a website: gosatwatch.com). Bill showed video of him making a satellite contact with his handheld radio and antenna at Rocket Day. Bill cited "Amsat.org" as a big resource for satellite operating information and he described the history of the "OSCAR" satellites, now numbering about 90. Bill gave an impressive video demo of the "GoSatWatch" software, projected on the big screen, showing the orbits and orbital data for any active satellite. He described example antennas and FM cross-band (2m – 440) radios that can be used in very simple operating setups. Bill showed his own tripod mounted system with Arrow antennas, dual band HT and iPad computer with the GoSatWatch software app.

After his program, Bill showed one of Jim Hutchinson, KI6MZ's "SST" (Shape-Shifting Triband) antennas. Bill is hoping we can get 15 to 25 people interested in a new building project to make the SST antenna. He said the initial target cost estimate is "just under" \$150.00.

At the end of program, Vice President Jim Veronica thanked Bill for his presentat9h and presented him with a certificate of appreciation from the SSARC.

Break:

At 8:17pm, a 15-minute break was taken with refreshments provided by Bill Everett, KI6KSV.

Member Drawing:

The winning name in the progressive Membership drawing was Eric Oberg, KE6MLF, who was present to win the \$60 prize. The prize amount will therefore reset to \$10 for our next meeting on Thursday, April 12, 2018. Members must be present to win, and the prize grows by \$10 each month it is unclaimed.

Prize Raffle:

After the prize raffle drawing, the Grand Prize winner of a 12VDC-115VAC Inverter was Dan Saltzman, WB6MVP. A second Grand Prize, an LED Camp lantern, was won by Tom Travis, AA6XT.

Future Meetings:

Our upcoming speaker for the April 12 meeting, President, Mike Hasenfratz, WA6FXT, will talk about his home station and the Flex SDR radio.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm.

Submitted by: Secretary, John Percival, WI6O

Letter From The Editor

Please submit articles, pictures, etc. on things of interest to our SSARC community for publication to me at ab6bw1@gmail.com. Such items may discuss your recent antenna project, shack modifications, new operating modes, anecdotes from portable field operations, and so forth. A picture with a caption works. A few sentences strung together works. A few paragraphs, a few pages with detailed illustrations.... It's all good. I look forward (with a wee bit of trepidation) to your submissions. Submission Deadline is Sunday night before 1st Thursday!

73, Bill (AB6BW)

Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club Web Page: http://www.simisettlers.org/index.htm Simi Settlers' ARC Yahoo Group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SimiSettlersARC

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Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club

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Membership Application

Type of Applic	cation:	Type of Memb	ership:			Sin	mi Valley, Ca.
New Member Renewal		Individual (\$18/ Family (\$20/yr)	· ·			100	W6SVS C
Name:					_ Day & Month	of Birth	
Call:		Clas	s:		ARRL:	Yes □	(Omit year) No □
Address:			City: _		State:	Zip	:
Phone: ()			Alt. Phone: ()			
E-Mail Address	S:						
Additional Fam	ily Members:						
Name:					_ Day & Month	of Birth	
Call:		Clas	s:		ARRL:	Yes □	(Omit year) No □
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Name (s) Call(s	s):						
Shirts requeste	ed: Yes 🗆 🛚	No □ H	ow many? _		X \$35.00 =	\$	
Name (s) Call(s	s) Size(s) (Sm	, Med, L, XL, etc	c):				
Jackets Reque	sted: Yes 🗆	No □ H	ow many? _		X \$88.00 =	: \$	
Name (s) Call(s	s) Size(s) (Sm	, Med, L, XL, etc	c):				
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Application type	e: New 🗆 F	Renewal 🗆	Members	ship type:	Individual □] Fam	ily □
Date Received	:	Amount F	Received:		Database com	pleted: _	
Badges and Sh	nirts ordered:						